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SOCK SINGERS WANT VERSE
REPRINTED IN BOOK FORM

It seems to be necessary again, after an interval of two months, to warn new or careless contestants to observe the simple rules that are printed with the *Sock Songs* every Sunday. The rule we have in mind is that old bugbear which limits the length of entries to ten lines. Among the *Sock Songs* judged for today there were four, no less, of conspicuous merit otherwise, which exceeded the limit by lines from one to eight.

A pity, for three of the authors were new contestants, and might just as well have won prizes or mention right off the bat. The addresses of the four are 22 West Eighty-fourth street, 2804 Decatur avenue, 25 St. Nicholas terrace and Rio Honda, Tex. Each one is cordially urged to try again with an entry not more than ten lines in length.

A contestant who has repeatedly distinguished himself by his *Sock Songs* has sent in a suggestion which we have received before, but his enthusiasm has caused us this time to think it over rather seriously. He writes:

"I have been wondering what the prospect may be of your reprinting some of the verses in book form. It seems to me that such a volume would command a sale. In fact, I have thought of addressing some of the successful contestants with an offer to subscribe for a number of copies, inviting them to do the same."

He also submits a poem of his which might be the dedication for the book. We think it would be an admirable one, and are withholding it.

Opinions Are Invited.

Before this project takes definite shape and before any canvassing is done the *Sock Songs* editor would be glad to know what you think of it yourselves, "you" being not only contestants but also the non-contestants—there are many—who follow the contest with pleasure every week. This "volume" to our present hazy notion should be a simple pamphlet, so that it might be sold at a very modest price, which would cover the expense of publication and distribution and leave a small margin to go to some war work fund.

We may ask you definitely later how many copies of such a pamphlet you would want. Then, again, we may do nothing more about it. The main question is whether the benefit of the enterprise would justify the use of white paper, which, as you know, it is necessary carefully to conserve at the present time.

Mrs. Elise West Quail, of honorable mention below, writes us some pleasant things about the contest and the prize winners, and proffers, "Many thanks for deeming my verses worthy of a place by the side of those from the pen of my classmate of bygone days, Mr. Edward Ten Broeck Perine, whose most charming bit, 'My Aunt's Little Note,' will bring a smile to the lips of my pupils before many hundreds of people, and credit will be given this Sunday Sun."

By the way, it has occasionally happened that a prize of wool has been a trifle late in reaching the winner. We all realize that packages these days are sure, but sometimes very much slower than they used to be in arriving. However, if you are a winner and your prize does not show up within a reasonable time please do not be at all backward about informing the *Sock Songs* editor.

The present prize package is in Nancy Ford of 61 Second place, Brooklyn. Her admonition to the non-knitting slacker is not only delightful in itself but it embodies that rare and valuable thing, a novel idea in *Sock Songs*.

Second prize goes to William Arnold Rowland of 1043 St. Andre street, Montreal. Mr. Rowland, somewhat ornately but still acceptably, sings of the Lily of France, a flower well beloved of all Americans.

Are Welcome Newcomers.

Both these successful contestants are welcome newcomers to the honor list. The third prize winner is an old friend of *Sock Song* readers, Mrs. Anna Little of Rutherford, N. J. If any one is ungracious enough to protest that puns are the lowest form of wit and that all of Mrs. Little's are familiar we can only invite him to try his own hand at stringing familiar puns together in neat stanzas and see whether he gets a result as clever as hers. We don't think he will!

The honorable mentions:

I'm knitting stockings all the day
For one I love who has a way
They're warm and woolly, soft and gray,
But when my love comes back to me,
When Peace is ours, with Victory
Of finest silk his socks shall be.
For my love, he has a heart of gold,
He's true and tender, brave and bold,
As were the valiant knights of old,
And he fights for God and Country!
—MRS. JOHN H. PATTERSON,
Seldirk, N. Y.

E PLURIBUS UNUM.

We are knitting a vast fabric, a six billion dollar fabric, a fabric that will be the banner of our brave Allies, and here the list is shown:

For Great Britain, France and Belgium,
For Italy we knit,
For Serbia, and Russia too, Czechoslovakia a bit;
Here are helmets for Brazilians, Montenegrins and Chinese,
And our good friends Japs and Cubans,
Poles and Greeks and Portuguese;
We have mufflers for Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama,
Wristlets warm for Guatemala, Haiti and Liberia;
With a sweater for the elephant of plucky, we knit,
And a big socklet with dollars for our dear old Uncle Sam!
—EDWARD TEN BROECK PERINE,
805 St. Nicholas avenue.

While I'm knitting in my dreaming
Comes a soldier boy once more,
Marching to the drum he's beating,
Up and down the kitchen floor—
Little soldier boy of four.

I was proud then, now I'm prouder,
While I knit he fights for me,
Where for fight his country battles
In a lane beyond the sea.
Little lad that used to be?
—MRS. JENNIE A. JESSUP,
Box 424, Goshen, N. Y.

What is this *Sock Song* we're trying to sing,
Hoping to use some yarn it will bring?
And if we should happen a song to compose
That will bring yarn enough to make two pairs of hose,
Should we stop writing jingles and start
Knitting socks,
And tie them up neatly in bright colored box?

SOCK SONG PRIZE WINNERS.

FIRST PRIZE.
Nancy Ford, 61 Second Place, Brooklyn.
To One Who Would Not Learn to Knit.
Here in still New England are brisk, bright mornings
And long, golden afternoons without alarms or warnings.
The patchwork hills lie well content beneath the Autumn sun,
The orchard trees are bent with fruit, and harvesting is done.
The shell-wracked soil of Flanders a richer harvest yields,
And death walks terribly to reap those grim, unlovely fields.
And there are men in Flanders who battle for the right,
Who die to guard for you and me this home of all delight—
And yet you yawn and say it's much too hard for you to do;
Too hard! To knit for those who fight to keep your home for you!

SECOND PRIZE.
William Arnold Rowland, 1043 St. Andre Street, Montreal.
Hail, fragrant, fairest Fleur-de-Lis,
Thou bear'st all Muses' minstrelsy,
And woman's voice when'er she sings,
And wait of holy angels' wings;
Priscilla nurse her notes in socks
Made soft as shades of hollyhocks,
With charm of pearly, facile fingers—
Here forever beauty lingers,
And comfort socks shall cross the sea,
For Yankee boys, O Fleur-de-Lis!

THIRD PRIZE.
Mrs. Anna Little, 177 Broad Street, Rutherford, N. J.
Parting Advice.
Now listen here, you woolly socks,
When you get over There
And some lad says, "They're peaches!"
Remember you're a pair!
And please don't let religion
Invent your sole too quick,
For sure as you get holey
Another pair he'll pick!

Conditions of the Sock Song Contest.
Everybody welcome! Open to all patriotic bachelors, male or female. Verses must not be over ten lines long. Write on one side of the paper only, if possible. Prizes will be announced on each Sunday on verses received by THE SUNDAY SUN, 120 Nassau street, not later than Wednesday. After that they will be considered for the following week's competition. Names will not be used. If requested, unless stated in prize. First prize, \$5 in wool; second prize, \$2 in wool; third prize, \$1 in wool.

I'm writing for more information to gain;
The uncertainty is really a terrible strain.
If this don't bring yarn to knit into hose
I'll stop sending poetry and start writing prose.

MAUDE NOTES.
1034 Harrison street, Topeka, Kan.
[As more than one good entry has shown, Miss Noyes knows so well what "this Sock Song" is that more information to her would be superfluous. She is by no means to quit poetry for prose, and when she wins that yarn she is to "carry on" both knitting and writing. They go well together.]

Two tiny feet that once you kissed with love—
Ten chubby toes that curled up in your hand;
Where are they now, on slippery wave swept deck,
Or ploughing through bloody mud in No Man's Land?

Nor cold nor storm could ever do them harm,
Long years ago when Mother kept them fit;
But what's to warm them through dread winter now?
Only the socks that you and I shall knit!

327 Lenox avenue. Mrs. H. PROHILL.

Here's to our boys, fearless and true,
Their hearts as brave as their feet;
Our hope and love each stitch combines,
Our faith in you the wool entwines.
Victory is your song!

Here's to knitters, soldiers are they,
Though hearts beat fast, their needles away—
They knit and smile, helping with pride
The onward march—the forward stride!
Victory is their song!

MAY THIERST CHRISTIAN.
Elmira, N. Y.

A little old woman in a room chill and bare
Is knitting warm socks to send over there.
Her wee twisted fingers in pain do their work,
But she is a woman who never will shrink.
She scolds as she knits about women who trifle,
While men at the front face cannon and rifle.
"The women," she says, "should sacrifice all
And toll for the men who've answered the call."

And by her work she glorifies each day
To sit and think 'till win, is not the way!

ADRIEL WILLIS BOLLES.
158 West Fourth street, Elmira, N. Y.

JEANNETTE AND JEANOT.
(New words to an old French love song.)
You are going far away—
Far away from poor Jeannette;
There's no one left to love me now—
But indeed you shall not forget!
Your thoughts will be with me
Wherever you may roam!
The knots I knit in these big heels
Will make you think of home.

Oh, yes, dear heart, these great big knots
Will make you think of home!

MRS. EMMA N. CARLTON.
New Albany, Ind.

FROM THE TRENCHES.
Yes, we're in, we mean to win!
This is the tune our bugles play.
You will come in too if you're American to-day.
Get some woolen yarn, the khaki brown or navy gray.
He our allies' friend, help the war to end,
Knit, knit for the U. S. A.

ELISE WEST QUAIL.
Eagle's Nest Inn, Tomkins Cove, N. Y.

A MODERN MAIDEN'S PRAYER.
O patient wearer of these socks!
"Tie you up my concerns,
For as my knitting needles hum
My heart to romance turns.
And oft in maiden reverie
While socks I yarn for you
I fancy that somehow we'll meet
And I shall darn 'em too!"
P. S. If this scheme meets your deference
Please bring this note for reference.

[The author of the foregoing amusing entry asked us not to use her name unless she won a prize. We are tempted differentially to advise her when she "somehow meets" the recipient of her socks not to use his name on her visiting cards, for instance—unless she wins a prize herself. But the boys will all be prizes!—Ed. Sock Songs.]

One From a 12-year-old.
The following has been received from Miss Emilie Bushnell, aged 12, of 145 West Fifty-eighth street:
Dear SUN: I have tried to make up a good Sock Song several times and

Women's \$11 All Wool Sweaters at \$7.75
Beautifully knit in a fancy rib in hand-knit effect, closed with loops and self-buttons and deep cuffs, sailor collar and pocket tops in brushed wool. Colors include rose, tan, French blue and salmon, with collars in white, gray or maize.
Second Floor

Women's Heavy Silk Gloves 3,600 Pairs at 59c. a Pair Values to \$1.50
A SPECIAL PURCHASE of 300 dozen of these extremely practical Gloves to sell at the low price of 59c. a pair. Medium and heavy weight, firmly woven thread silk, in black, white and colors, with self and contrasting backs.
Values easily to \$1.50 a pair. All at 59c.
Main Floor, Bond Street.

Women's \$10 Lace Shoes at \$7.35
THAT WE can continue this record Shoe Sale for Monday is evidence of the ample preparations we made.
There are several fine models. Dark brown kidkin vamp and heel foxing with dark gray cloth tops to match, lace style. Patent leather whole fox with pearl gray cloth tops, plain toe, lace style. Plump black kidkin whole fox with pearl gray cloth tops, lace style. Fine black kidkin lace boot.
Cuban and Louis leather heels. Welted and stitched soles.
Values up to \$10 for \$7.35.

Women's \$8.50 Button Shoes, \$5.90
Fine grain gun metal with dull kidkin tops. Long forepart with tips. Welted soles. Cuban leather heels.

Women's Evening Slippers, \$4.65
Opera Slippers in an incomplete range of sizes. Of embroidered cloth, gold and silver brocades.
Main Floor, Elm Place.

Navy and Black Dress Serges \$2.19 to \$3.85 Yard, Values \$2.50 to \$4.50
STANDARD GRADES of navy blue and black Dress Serges, absolutely all wool, sponged and shrunk, and offered for less than the regular prevailing prices.

That is the feature news from the Dress Goods Section for Monday. Here are the details in brief:
\$3.50 Navy Blue and Black, 54-inch Dress Serges at \$2.95.
\$4.50 Navy Blue and Black, 54-inch Dress Serges at \$3.85.
\$3 Navy Blue and Black, 50-inch Dress Serges at \$2.69.
\$2.50 Navy Blue and Black, 42-inch Dress Serges, at \$2.19.
Second Floor.

Feather Hats, New in Fashion Special Values, \$2.95 to \$15.95
MANY WOMEN like these Feather Hats specially at this season, particularly for general service, since they require so little trimming and are so smart in appearance and so generally becoming.

These come in all the newest shapes, including the new round, turban and other smart styles.
The colors include black, navy, brown, sand, taupe, purple and iridescent. Excellent values at the prices, \$2.95 to \$15.95.

Fashionable Ostrich Trimmings
Ostrich fronds made up into fashionable Bands, all the smart colors of the fall, 75c. to \$9.75.
Ostrich Pompons, a fine range of colors, 69c. to \$5.95.
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Ostrich Tips, 39c. to 69c.
Millinery Store, Second Floor, Bond Street.

Irish Linen Luncheon Napkins \$3.50, Value \$4.50 \$4.50, Value \$5.75 \$3.98, Value \$5.25 \$5, Value \$6.50
LESS THAN USUAL TO PAY for round thread pure Irish Linen Luncheon Napkins. Great good news for the housewife who needs an extra dozen for personal use, to say nothing of the advantages offered to alert Christmas gift buyers.

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Main Floor

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Main Floor, Bond Street. None C. O. D.

Men's New Fall Suits Special Value at \$30
WORTH MORE for the work that has been put in them, for the materials that make up their well-cut lines—for the effect of elegance which few Suits present out of the \$50 class at least.

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Men's Store, Main Floor, Elm Place.

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The mountings are of metal, silver plated and set with brilliant rhinestones. There are half a dozen different styles to choose from, including bar, crescent and fancy cluster effects.
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LAST DAY

A Day More—Tomorrow—for The Best Values Perhaps of Years In PIANOS and PLAYERS

ONE DAY HAS BEEN ADDED to Loeser's Greatest Sale—a day more to make yours the best instrument that your money will buy for years, perhaps—the greatest advantages that are likely to be offered for far beyond the period of the war.

Your Own Terms—In Reason

will bring you in this sale the fine instrument you have dreamed of and want; a finer, it may be, than will be within your price, within even reach again, until conditions are fully readjusted, until the world is on a full peace basis once more—until the cost of high-grade labor will again come down—if it ever can or will.

Just ONE DAY MORE you have to accomplish it—don't let that day go fruitless by!

For Tomorrow—Some of the Best Values of the Whole Sale

Uprights		Originally \$300		Now \$165		Player Pianos		Originally \$300		Now \$165	
New England	250	875	J. & C. Fischer	400	175	Autopiano	850	525	275	Autopiano	850
Kring	250	875	Bradbury	425	175	Bur Bros	850	525	275	Bur Bros	850
Lindeman & Sons	275	115	Gleason	425	175	Hennings	850	525	275	Hennings	850
Bailey & Sons	225	115	Bradbury	425	175	Hennings	850	525	275	Hennings	850
Wuerst	225	115	Hardman	425	175	Bur Bros	850	525	275	Bur Bros	850
Bailey	250	125	Horace Waters	425	175	Francis Bacon	850	525	275	Francis Bacon	850
Hall & Davis	300	135	Worcester	425	175	Estey	850	525	275	Estey	850
Ludwig	300	135	Bradbury	425	175	Estey	850	525	275	Estey	850
Wing	250	135	Steinway & Sons	425	175	Hardman	850	525	275	Hardman	850
Hendling	250	135	Fischer	425	175	Bur Bros	850	525	275	Bur Bros	850
Gordon & Son	250	135	Bradbury	425	175	Estey	850	525	275	Estey	850
C. F. Thompson	250	135	Bradbury & Treacy	425	175	Bradbury	850	525	275	Bradbury	850
Schuman & Sons	250	135	Davenport & Treacy	425	175	Bradbury	850	525	275	Bradbury	850
Newby & Evans	275	145	Bradbury	425	175	Bur Bros	850	525	275	Bur Bros	850
Brown & Simpson	250	145	Estey	425	175	Gable	850	525	275	Gable	850
Hallet & Davis	275	145	Francis Bacon	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Billings & Co.	275	145	Bradbury	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Lynch & Goulet	250	145	Bradbury	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Singer	225	145	Mason & Hamill	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Anderson	325	160	Bradbury	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Kring	300	160	Bradbury	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Geo. Miller & Co.	275	165	Webster	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Voss & Sons	275	165	Estey	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
New England	275	165	Estey	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Bradbury	425	165	Estey	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Behning	450	165	Estey	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Worcester	300	165	Estey	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850
Ludwig & Co.	350	165	Estey	425	175	Kranich & Bach	850	525	275	Kranich & Bach	850

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Twelve hundred handsome Panel Curtains in a wide variety of designs. Marie Antoinette, Lacet Arabian and Scrim styles:
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